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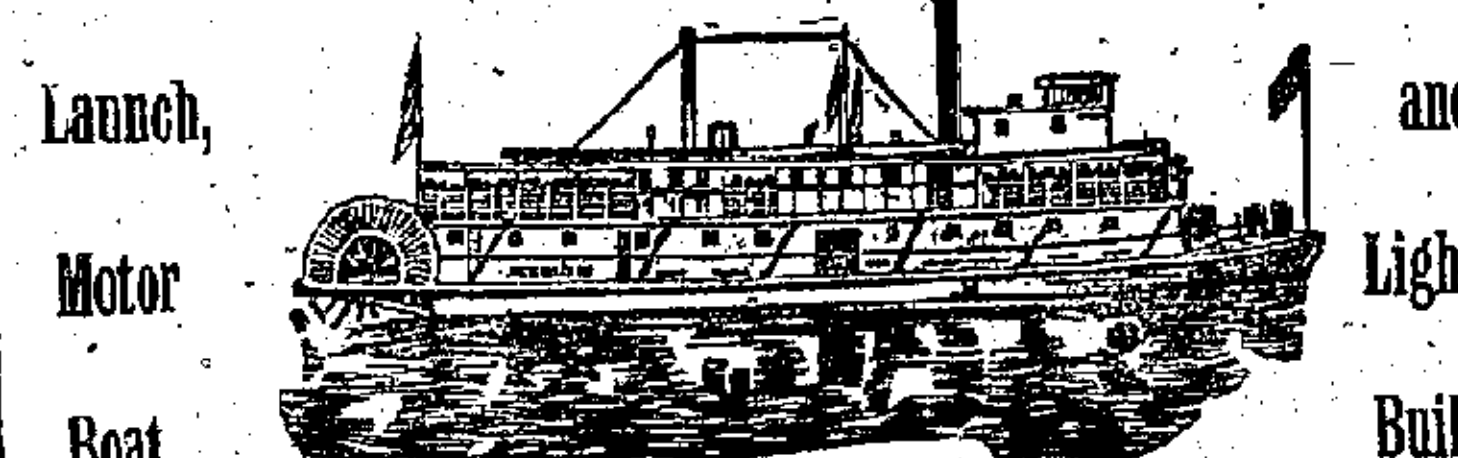
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**THE EMPIRE IN FIGURES.**  
**A Wonderful Growth.**  
[BY H. W. WILSON IN THE LONDON "MAIL."]  
The following figures will give some idea  
of the area and population of the Empire  
and of its various States, of its growth in  
the last fifty years, and of its military and  
naval resources.  
The area of the British Empire is  
13,000,000 square miles, or more than one-  
fifth of the whole area of land on the globe  
—which is calculated to be 65,000,000  
square miles. The following are the areas  
of the chief States or Colonies in order of  
their size:—

Canada	3,745,000
Australia	2,974,000
Indian Empire	1,766,000
South African Colonies	1,138,000
West African possessions	496,000
East Africa and Uganda	398,000
Newfoundland and Labrador	162,000
United Kingdom	121,000
New Zealand	104,000

A FAMILY OF 400,000,000.  
The total population of the Empire in  
1901 was 385,345,000, and in 1908, and is  
over 400,000,000, so that it is between one-  
fourth and one-fifth the total population  
of the globe, which is estimated at  
1,750,000,000 souls. It is larger than that  
of any other nation, for though Chinese  
estimates put the total population of the  
Chinese Empire at 400,000,000, they are  
not accepted by statisticians.  
Of the vast population of the Empire  
only a mere fraction is white. The total  
white population in 1908 stood, according  
to estimates, as follows:—

United Kingdom	44,800,000
Canada	6,250,000
Australia	4,000,000
South Africa	1,250,000
New Zealand	900,000
Ceylon, Malta and Cyprus	450,000
Other Colonies	500,000

Subtracting this from the figure given  
for the coloured population, the total for  
the latter is 351,650,000. Thus there are  
six coloured inhabitants of the Empire for  
every white one.  
In order of total population the most  
important States of the Empire stand as  
follows:—

Indian Empire	300,000,000
United Kingdom	44,800,000
West Africa	15,500,000
East Africa and Uganda	7,500,000
South Africa	6,400,000
Canada	6,250,000
Australia	4,000,000
Ceylon	4,000,000
West Indies	1,574,000
New Zealand	900,000

**IMPERIAL DEFENCE.**  
The cost of all the defensive forces of the  
Empire is £91,000,000 out of a total of  
£201,000,000 spent in administering the  
Empire. This is more than any other  
single Power in the world spends upon its  
naval and military forces.  
The following are the amounts contributed  
by the various States of the Empire to  
naval defence:—  
Total naval expenditure £52,702,000  
Contributed by India for In-  
dian Squadron 100,000  
Trooping Squadron 4,000  
Australia 200,000  
New Zealand 20,000  
Cape Colony 50,000  
Natal 35,000  
Newfoundland 3,000  
Total Colonial contributions £432,000  
Paid by the taxpayer of the  
United Kingdom £52,270,000  
The people of the United Kingdom thus  
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mend it by itself and mixed with  
milk. LEMCO has proved  
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**TONIC, RESTORATIVE, DIGESTIVE WINE**  
Very palatable.  
Known throughout the world and prescribed in all cases of  
Anemia, Debility and Consumption, to young women, children  
and the aged. Laxative to the bowels.  
DOSE: Only one glass before the two principal meals.  
Each bottle of **SAINT-RAPHAEL** bears, in addition  
to the registered trade-mark,  
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**CLETEAS** which surpasses all others by its  
purity and faultless preparation. To be taken on a lump of sugar.  
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**CALDECK MACGREGOR & Co., Hongkong.**

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Acknowledged by experts and  
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**A COCOA YOU CAN ENJOY.**

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FOR SALE, REPAIR AND HIRE.  
Price Very Cheap.  
**New Bicycles ('Humber') \$100 each**  
REPAIRS UNDERTAKEN.  
**MOTOR LAUNCHES FOR HIRE** from \$2 per hour.  
SOLE AGENT FOR  
**The Famous Humber Cycles.**  
**DRAGON CYCLE DEPOT,**  
Note New Address: 33 & 35, Des Voeux Road.  
Hongkong, March 3, 1908.

**HOW TO DO MORE BUSINESS.**  
MANY AMERICANS have built up  
great commercial enterprises, by the  
use of a Trade-mark item supplied by our  
CLIPPING BUREAU; Chinese mer-  
chants can do the same if they follow  
American methods.  
We clip business news from more than  
50,000 papers monthly, and send these  
items to you while there is good prospect  
of supplying what is needed and doing  
business.  
We send you news and clippings on  
any line of business, or any subject, and  
you will be able to know, IN TRUTH, just  
what American business methods are like,  
and where there are openings for Chinese  
merchandise.  
Suppose, for instance, you are a maker  
of Footery; our Clipping Bureau will  
find in some paper an item saying that a  
big wholesale Footery business was being  
organised in a certain town—well, of  
course, would you not want to know what  
the town was, and give you a chance to do business  
with that firm?  
We can do just the same in any line of  
business, for there is always something  
to be done that might pay Chinese mer-  
chants to know.  
We can supply you with advertisements  
of all the great American merchants and  
manufacturers, so that you may establish  
your trade and business with business in  
China the way we do here.  
To avoid delay, send ten dollars (Max)  
for one month's trial order. Subsequent  
orders can be determined according to results.  
It won't cost you money to send for our  
free book, which tells all about our service  
and how much it costs. Send for it to-  
day.  
Our terms of service:  
INTERNATIONAL PAPER CLIPPING  
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**For Sale.**  
FOR SALE.  
LOT No. 52, British Concession, PRO-  
PERTY OF THE CANTON CONDI-  
TION HOUSE COMPANY, is hereby  
advertised for Sale until the 10th of  
September next. Tenders to be sent to  
the Secretary.  
L. ALBERT.  
Canton, August 10, 1908.  
FOR SALE.  
OUBUNG YACHT, CHINESE  
RIG.  
Lately thoroughly overhauled and  
fitted for service. Cabin Decked.  
Fitted with fully equipped, complete, cooking,  
appliance, complete, lavatory, washstand,  
etc. 150 gallon iron tank just installed.  
Electric Light throughout. English An-  
chors and Cable.  
A complete outfit, and tent for camping  
on shore.  
Motor Dinghy, carries 6 persons  
fitted to d.v.b.  
Whole outfit ready for immediate use.  
Owners selling only to purchase larger  
craft.  
For further particulars, apply  
SECRETARY, PHOENIX CLUB.  
Hongkong, June 15, 1908.  
WASHING BOOGE.  
(In English and Chinese).  
W. ASHERMAN'S BOOGE, for the use  
of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now  
be had at the Phoenix Club, 50, Des  
Voeux Road, and at the Phoenix Club,  
50, Des Voeux Road.

**To Let.**  
TO LET.  
4 and 5-ROOMED HOUSES in KOW-  
LOON, at Moderate Rentals.  
Apply to  
**HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE**  
Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, August 14, 1907.

**To Let.**  
TO LET.  
OFFICES in HOTEL MANSIONS.  
Cheap Rental for monthly tenancy.  
Apply to  
**HENRY HUMPHREYS,**  
Alexandra Buildings.  
Hongkong, August 1, 1908.

**To Let.**  
TO LET.  
GODOWN No. 54, DUDELL  
STREET.  
Apply to  
**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.**  
Hongkong, August 1, 1908.

**To Let.**  
TO LET.  
OFFICES in ALEXANDRA BUILD-  
INGS.  
Apply to  
**SECRETARY,**  
A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, April 24, 1907.

**To Let.**  
TO LET.  
A HOUSE in KNUTEFORD TER-  
RACE, KOWLOON.  
Apply to  
**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.**  
Hongkong, August 1, 1908.

**To Let.**  
TO LET.  
HATHERLEIGH, CONDOR ROAD.  
OFFICES in YORK BUILDING,  
GODOWNS IN PRATA EAST, Blue Build-  
ings, and No. 183, Des Voeux Road, next  
to the Hongkong Hotel.  
FRATS in MOUNTAIN TERRACE,  
No. 10, Des Voeux Road CENTRAL, 1st  
Floor.  
A House in RYTON TERRACE.  
A House in WONG NEI CHONG ROAD.  
Apply to  
**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.**  
Hongkong, August 1, 1908.

**To Let.**  
TO LET.  
GODOWNS Nos. 28A, 29 and 29A,  
PRATA EAST.  
Apply to  
**SECRETARY,**  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, July 23, 1907.

**To Let.**  
TO LET.  
SHOP, No. 14, QUEEN'S ROAD  
CENTRAL, on Lease.  
OFFICES, Nos. 12 & 14, Queen's Road  
CENTRAL, 1st Floor.  
No. 5, FAIRVIEW, ROBINSON ROAD,  
Kowloon, on Lease.  
Apply to  
**LEIGH & ORANGE.**  
Hongkong, August 10, 1908.

**To Let.**  
TO LET.—FROM 1st SEPTEMBER.  
AT SHAMHUN, CANTON.  
HOUSE No. 108 (Kwan How Building)  
at present in the occupation of the  
I. M. Canton.  
Apply to  
**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.**  
Hongkong, August 1, 1908.



## Banks.

### YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK.

ESTABLISHED 1880.  
CAPITAL PAID-UP Yen 24,000,000  
RESERVE FUND " 16,124,500

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:  
TOKYO, KOBE, NAGASAKI,  
LONDON, NEW YORK, HONGKONG,  
SAN FRANCISCO, HANKOW, SHANGHAI,  
TIENTSIN, PEKING, NEWCHANG,  
PORT ARTHUR, DALNY, ANTUNG,  
YOKOHAMA, MANZU, TAIPEI,  
CHANGCHUN.

HONGKONG—Interest allowed.  
On Current Accounts at the Rate of 2 1/2  
per annum on the daily balance.  
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—  
For 12 months 4 1/2 per annum.  
For 6 months 4 per annum.  
For 3 months 3 1/2 per annum.

TAKEO TAKAMOTO,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, March 8, 1908.

## THE BANK OF TAIWAN LIMITED.

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL  
CHARTER.)

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL (Paid-up) Yen 6,000,000  
RESERVE FUND Yen 980,000

HEAD OFFICE—TAIPEI, FORMOSA

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:  
Amoy, Kobe, Tientsin,  
Anping, Nagasaki, Shanghai,  
Fuzhou, Osaka, Yokohama,  
Keelung, Hongkong.

HONGKONG OFFICE:  
3, DES VOGES ROAD.  
Interest allowed on Current Accounts.  
Deposits received on terms which may be  
arranged on application.  
D. TOHLOW,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, August 4, 1908.

## THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.  
HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Yen 1,500,000  
RESERVE FUND Yen 1,500,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO-  
PERTYORS Yen 1,500,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts  
at the rate of 2 1/2 per annum on the daily  
balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS for 12 months 4 1/2  
" " " " 6 months 4  
" " " " 3 months 3 1/2  
JOHN ARMSTRONG,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, May 13, 1908.

## THE MERCHANTS' BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL Yen 1,500,000  
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL Yen 1,500,000  
PAID-UP CAPITAL Yen 1,500,000  
RESERVE FUND Yen 1,500,000

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Hongkong, April 22, 1908.

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RESERVE FUND Yen 15,000,000

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## INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL PAID-UP Gold \$3,500,000  
RESERVE FUND " " \$3,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—NEW YORK.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:  
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## GEO. P. LAMMERT AUCTIONEER.

THE UNDERSIGNED has received instructions  
to sell by Public Auction,  
on  
THURSDAY,  
the 20th August, 1908, commencing at  
2.45 P.M., at No. 4, ROBINSON ROAD,  
Kowloon, (Top Floor) above Messrs  
Wellsman, Ltd.,—  
A QUANTITY OF  
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD  
FURNITURE  
(Particulars from Catalogue).  
TERMS:—As Customary.  
On view from Wednesday afternoon, the  
19th Aug., 1908.  
GEO. P. LAMMERT,  
Auctioneer.

## FOR SALE.

The Schooner Yacht  
SYREN,  
Length.....78'6"  
Beam.....18'  
Moulded Depth.....11'6"  
Draught fore.....7'  
Draught aft.....10'

Fitted with Lavatory, Pantry and a Tank  
capable of storing 6 Tons Water.

The Yacht  
AILSA,  
Championship Class, Royal Hongkong,  
Yacht Club.  
2 Sets of Sails, Standing and Running Gear  
in first-class condition.  
For further particulars, apply to  
GEO. P. LAMMERT,  
DORLAND STREET.

## MILNERS' PATENT FIRE RESISTING SAFES.

As supplied to the principal  
banks and mercantile  
houses).

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE UNDERSIGNED has received instructions  
from THE HON. THE DIRECTOR  
OF PUBLIC WORKS, to sell by Public  
Auction,  
on  
THURSDAY,  
the 20th August, 1908, at 11 A.M., at THE  
GOVERNMENT STORES, Wanchai,—  
A LARGE QUANTITY OF  
CONDENMED STORES.  
TERMS:—As usual.  
HUGHES & HUGHES,  
Government Auctioneers,  
Hongkong, August 14, 1908.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE UNDERSIGNED has received instructions  
from THE HON. THE DIRECTOR  
OF PUBLIC WORKS, to sell by Public  
Auction,  
on  
TUESDAY,  
the 25th August, 1908, at 2 P.M., within  
his Residence, "DUNDEE," Magazine  
Gap,—  
THE WHOLE OF HIS  
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD  
FURNITURE,  
Comprising:—  
SIX TAPESTRY-COVERED DRAWING ROOM  
SUITS, a QUANTITY OF CARVED  
BLACKWOOD, CHAIRS, TABLES, SOFAS,  
CHAIR, OMBU SPANES, KOREAN LACQUERED  
CHINA, DRESSING WAGONS, GLASS,  
CROCKERY and E.P. WARE, OLD CHINA,  
BRONZES, &c., &c.  
Also  
One OUTRAGE PIANO by M. F. Reichels &  
Co., Hamburg, (in good order and con-  
dition).  
Catalogues will be issued.  
TERMS:—As usual.  
HUGHES & HUGHES,  
Auctioneers,  
Hongkong, August 15, 1908.

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B. DYER BALE, M.A.

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## THE IMPERIAL ARMY.

The following are the main figures for  
the strength of the Imperial military  
forces:—  
British Army: Regulars, in the  
U.K. .... 180,000  
do., in the Colonies .... 41,000  
do., in India .... 12,155  
Trained Reserves .... 129,000  
Indian Army: Native forces .... 168,000  
do., Reserves .... 30,000  
Imperial service troops .... 70,000  
Canada: Active Militia .... 51,277  
Australia: Militia .... 16,774  
do., Volunteers .... 5,137  
New Zealand: Volunteers .... 61,400  
New Zealand: Militia .... 17,995  
Cape Colony: Mounted Police .... 705  
Do., Mounted Police .... 1,743  
Do., Volunteers .... 5,835  
Natal: Mounted Police .... 987  
Do., Militia .... 2,763  
Transvaal: Volunteers .... 13,000  
and Cadets .... 1,000

To the above must be added the British  
Militia, 88,000 strong, and the British  
Territorial Army, at present about 420,000  
strong. The total war strength of the  
forces of the Empire is officially estimated  
at slightly over one million men.

## SHIPS OFFICER DIVORCED.

Husband's Misconduct in Hong-  
kong and Calcutta.

At the Calcutta High Court, recently,  
Mr Justice Woodroffe, presiding over the  
Matrimonial Jurisdiction, was engaged in  
hearing a petition for a dissolution of mar-  
riage brought by Annie Gentle against her  
husband, Albert Edward Gentle, chief  
officer on one of the steamers of the Ape-  
line plying between Calcutta and Hong-  
kong on the ground of the husband's  
cruelty and misconduct.

Mr Stokes narrated that the parties were  
married on March 11, 1902, at St. Paul's  
Cathedral, Calcutta, and from time to time  
they lived in Calcutta. From about 1904,  
counsel continued, Gentle commenced to  
ill-treat his wife, and on one occasion  
in March 1907, he created a scene and  
struck her, when she was forced to run  
out of the house. The parties subse-  
quently agreed to a separation and a deed  
was drawn up, but when placed before  
him the respondent tore it up. The  
petitioner received certain information  
upon which she communicated with the  
Ayriliff Private Detective Bureau, who  
reported that the respondent had un-  
doubtedly himself both in Calcutta and Hong-  
kong. She then filed this suit. Counsel  
said there were two children born of the  
marriage.

These facts were corroborated by evi-  
dence, and his Lordship granted a decree  
nisi, with costs against the respondent.  
The petitioner was given the custody of  
the children.

## HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the  
ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY  
MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS IN  
this Corporation will be held at the CITY  
HALL, HONGKONG, on SATURDAY,  
the 22nd day of AUGUST, 1908, at Noon,  
for the purpose of receiving the Report of the  
Directors together with a Statement  
of Accounts to 30th June, 1908.  
By Order of the Court of Directors,  
J. R. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager.

## HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the  
REGISTER OF SHARES OF the  
Corporation will be CLOSED from MON-  
DAY, the 18th instant to SATURDAY,  
the 22nd day of AUGUST, 1908, both days inclusive,  
during which period no Transfer of Shares  
can be registered.  
By Order of the Court of Directors,  
J. R. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager.

## HONGKONG AND WHAMPORA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.  
THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY  
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
will be held in the Offices of the Company,  
Queens' Buildings, Connaught Road, on  
MONDAY, 24th August, at 12 o'clock  
Noon, for the purpose of receiving the  
Report of the Directors and the Statement  
of Accounts to the 30th June, 1908.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from the 10th to  
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THOS. L. ROSE,  
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## BIRTHS.

VEIN.—On July 30, 1908, at Amoy, the

wife of J. C. VEIN, I.M. Customs, of a

Son.

GRIFPIN.—On August 10, 1908, at

"Blackthorn Villa" 31 Avenue Dubail,

Shanghai, to Mr and Mrs F. GRIFPIN, a

Daughter.

## MARRIAGE.

BYRN-SIMPSON.—On July 4, 1908, at

St. Mark's Church, Reigate, by the Rev.

A. Simmonds, Vicar, EDWARD THOMAS

BYRN of Shanghai, to KATE HILDA STUART

SIMPSON, late of Shanghai, now of Mid-

dleton Mount, Reigate.

## DEATH.

GOETS.—DOROTHY ANNA, died at Ham-

burg, on 19th inst., aged 8 months.

## General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, August 19.—

Goods per *Yong Maru* undelivered at

noon on this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Palma* not cleared at 4 p.m.

on this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Derfing* undelivered after

this date subject to rent.

Transfer Books of Hongkong Ice Co.,

Ltd., close from this date to 22nd inst.,

inclusive.

Goods per *Kamsang* undelivered after

4 p.m. this date will be landed.

THURSDAY, August 20.—

11 a.m.—Auction of Condemned Stores,

at the Government Store, Wanchai.

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture, at No. 4, Robinson Road (Top

Floor) above Messrs Weismann, Ltd.,

Kowloon.

SATURDAY, August 22.—

Noon.—Meeting of The Hongkong and

Shanghai Banking Corporation, at the

City Hall.

SUNDAY, August 23.—

Goods per *Yong Maru* undelivered after

this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, August 24.—

Noon Meeting of Hongkong &amp; Whampoa

Dock Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

Goods per *Yong Maru* undelivered after

this date at Noon will be subject to rent

and landing charges.

TUESDAY, August 25.—

2 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-

ture, within Mr W. R. M.D. Parr's

Residence, "Dorchester," Magazine Gap.

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HONGKONG, MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 1908.

## THE TRICENTENARY OF

MILTON.

THE Fellows of Christ's College, Cam-

bridge, have just been celebrating the

three hundredth anniversary of the

birth of JOHN MILTON, and in accord-

ance with English custom they did

so by sitting down to dinner; but after

attending to the wants of the inner

man instead of indulging in lengthy

speeches these worthy gentlemen

entertained themselves and some

invited guests with a performance

of the Masque of "Comus." We

imagine that the second part of the

performance would have pleased the

shade of MILTON most. Milton, like

most great men of genius, was a solitary

soul, austere, unapproachable, holding

himself aloof from his fellow-men;

a Puritan by taste and inclination, but

he enjoyed life in his own way and has

left a name in English literature which

glows only the brighter with the lapse

of years. He was, perhaps, a little

late in coming to full flower, but then

what a magnificent flowering it was!

MILTON marked a new point

of advance in our literature. In

the vacation exercise, written in his

19th year in Christ's College, and recited

in hall, he had already cut himself

adrift from his age. He had left the

Elizabethans behind: their harvest

fields, so rich and rare in their flamboyant

productiveness, attracted not a man of

his more chilly temperament. He

studied in silence, writing little,

publishing less, till the age of thirty.

At three-and-twenty, just before leaving

Cambridge, he gravely recorded that,

in an age of precocious maturities,

his own late spring showed no bud

nor blossom. Yet he had already written

the "Nativity Ode," and had composed, or

was just about to write, the "Allegro"

and "Penseroso." Three years later he

wrote the Masque of "Comus." It was

not until three more years had passed

that he allowed it to be published, and

even then with a cry of pain. Not

that he thought little of it, or of any-

thing he wrote. But even of his finest

work before "Paradise Lost" he

seemed to have felt that it was not good

enough for Milton to have written, for

his pride and self-confidence were like

those of his own fallen archangel.

Then came a long gap of twenty years;

years filled with strenuous work for the

Commonwealth; and, just as that long,

strenuous self-education was complete,

just as the perfection for which he had

waited and worked so long was on the

point of attainment, he fell blind. It

may be that one of his biographers is

right in saying that his absorption in

the work of defending the Common-

wealth by his pen was the result of an

error of judgment. It was, at any rate,

the cause of an act which entitles him

to rank as an hero among men of letters.

He knew that if he continued his work

as Latin Secretary, he would lose his

sight, yet he went on, saying that his

eyesight was of no value if he could not

use it in the service of the State.

Milton was a man and a patriot; had

he not been, he would not have been so

great a poet. When we look at his

earlier manuscripts with all their en-

surances and corrections, we may well con-

sider what "Paradise Lost" would have

been if he had been able to give to it

the unexhausted powers of his maturity.

Composed in darkness, preserved in

memory, dictated in fragments, it is

really one of the most astonishing of all

the products of his high genius, guided

as it was by his own unconquerable will.

In the fine and just words of Dr. QUINCY,

"Paradise Lost" was a book among

books, not a poem among poems,

but a central force among books.

It has been said that an understanding

of MILTON is one of the rewards of a

liberal education, and he has been called

the pedant's poet, probably because of

the praise of men who regard it as the

great advantage of the study of the

classics that they are able to laugh at

the profane vulgar. It is true that

through his classical allusions and con-

structions, MILTON has almost as many

difficult passages as Browning; but

the most illuminating effect of MILTON's

writing is that he gives his readers an

idea of one side of the works of anti-

quity, of their power and dignity and

charm, which can never be conveyed by

translations. As a literary artist he takes

rank in the splendid circle of Sophocles

and Virgil.

Dr. MAOKIN, Professor of Poetry at

Oxford, at the Tercentenary celebration

remarked:—The task of MILTON's

contemporaries was to civilise Eng-

lish poetry, to establish it as part

of the great republic of letters, to















